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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: CAUSTIC SODA PLANT IN

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REF: KHARTOUM 0923

1. APPRECIATE REPORT REFTEL ON OPPORTUNITY FOR SUPPLY OF TURN-KEY CAUSTIC SODA PLANT. COMMERCE/MEPD CONTACTED APPROPRIATE DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES. THUS FAR H.K. FERGUSON CO. (SUBSIDIARY OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN) AND CATALYTIC, INC. HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST AND WILL CONTACT ABDEL MONIEM ABOULA CO. DIRECTLY. BOTH FIRMS HIGHLY QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES.

2. COMPANIES HAVE REQUESTED FURTHER INFO ON PROPOSED FINANCING OF PROJECT, INCLUDING NECESSITY OF SUPPLIER PROVIDING EXPORT CREDIT PACKAGE. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE NAME OF BRITISH COMPANY WHICH PERFORMED FEASIBILITY STUDY AND COPIES OF STUDY, IF AVAILABLE. DOES STUDY SPECIFY PROCESS TO BE EMPLOYED (I.E. DIAPHRAGM OR MERCURIC ANODE)? FYI: U.S.-OWNED PROCESS TECHNOLOGY
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USES DIAPHRAGM SINCE USE OF MERCURY PROCESS NO LONGER
PERMITTED IN U.S. FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REASONS.

3. FOR FUTURE REFERENCE, PREFER PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES
INVOLVING ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION, SYSTEMS INSTALLATION,
OR TURN-KEY SUPPLY BE REPORTED IN NARRATIVE CABLE AS
MAJOR PROJECT RATHER THAN IN TRADE-OP FORMAT, PER
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